

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Hiroki MATSUOKA, et al. Confirmation No. 6446
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FOR : EXHAUST PURIFYING APPARATUS FOR INTERNAL
COMBUSTION ENGINE
GROUP ART UNIT : 3748
EXAMINER : Tu Minh NGUYEN

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RESPONSE TO OCTOBER 2, 2008 OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the non-final Office Action mailed October 2, 2008, the Applicant respectfully submits the following, accompanied by a one-month extension of time.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.